

No. 124.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Reliance fire engine company of Philadelphia.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That all and every the persons that shall be, at the time of passing this act, members of the association called the "Reliance fire engine company of the city of Philadelphia," shall be and they are hereby enacted and declared to be one body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of "the Reliance fire engine company of the city of Philadelphia;" and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be able to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded in all courts of record or elsewhere; and also the said corporation and their successors, at all times hereafter, be able to purchase, receive, have, hold and enjoy, to them and their successors all, and all manners of lands, tenements, rents, annuities, liberties, franchises and other hereditaments, goods and chattels of whatever nature, kind or quality, real, personal or mixed, or choses in action, and the same from time to time sell, alien, grant, demise and dispose of: *Provided,* That the clear yearly value or income of the said corporation, shall not exceed two thousand dollars; and also to make and have a common seal, and the same to break and renew at pleasure; and also to ordain, establish, and put in execution such by-laws, ordinances and regulations as shall appear necessary and convenient for the government of the said corporation, not being contrary to the charter, or the constitution and laws of the United States, or of this commonwealth, and generally to do all and singular the matters and things which to them it shall lawfully appertain to do for the well being of the said corporation, and the due management and ordering the affairs thereof: *Provided also,* That said company shall at all times be under the control of such rules and regulations as may be, from time to time, adopted by the city corporation of Philadelphia, for the regulation of the fire department.

SECTION 2. That nothing contained in this act shall in any wise affect, alter or diminish the rights and interests the said Reliance fire engine company has in the fire association of Philadelphia, but that the said Reliance fire engine company of the city of Philadelphia shall have, hold, possess and enjoy, under the name of the "Reliance fire engine company of the city of Philadelphia."

SECTION 3. Nothing in this act contained, shall be deemed to authorize the said company to engage, either directly or indirectly, in any banking, moneyed, commercial or manufacturing concern, or to act in any other way, other than as a fire company.

SECTION 4. The legislature reserves the power to alter, revoke or annul the privileges and charter hereby granted, whenever, in their opinion, the same may be injurious to the citizens of the common-

wealth; in such manner, however, that no injustice shall be done the corporators.

WILLIAM F. PACKER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. WILLIAMSON,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The tenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 125.

AN ACT

To annul the marriage contract of Edward Johnson and Ruth P., his wife.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the marriage contract entered into by and between Edward Johnson and Ruth P., his wife, be and the same is hereby annulled and made void, and the parties released and discharged from the said contract, and from all duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully and effectually and absolutely, as if they never had been joined in marriage. Dividend.

SECTION 2. The custody and education of the surviving child of said marriage, Jane Brinton Johnson, shall be and remain with her mother, the said Ruth P. Johnson, with power to appoint a testamentary guardian in case of her death, during the minority of such child: *Provided always,* That nothing in this act shall be so construed, as to deprive said child of any rights or privileges it would have enjoyed, had such marriage contract not been annulled; and it is hereby expressly enacted and declared, that the said child, Jane Brinton Johnson, shall have and enjoy every right and privilege, as though the said marriage had always been, and still continued valid and effectual in law. Custody and education of child to be in the mother.

SECTION 3. The property originally belonging to the said Ruth P. Johnson, the wife, at the time of the said marriage, consisting of choses in action not reduced to possession, now in the hands of a committee of the said Edward Johnson, under a special order of the court of common pleas of the county of Philadelphia, is hereby restored to the said Ruth P. Johnson. Property of wife restored.

WILLIAM F. PACKER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. WILLIAMSON,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

FRS. R. SHUNK.